

1 **WE CLAIM:**

1 1. A method of operating a mobile terminal comprising a local memory and a screen, the  
2 method comprising the steps of:  
3 (a) receiving a plurality of web pages and storing the web pages in the local memory,  
4 wherein at least one of the web pages comprises a plurality of links and at least one of  
5 the links identifies a web page at least partially cached in the local memory;  
6 (b) determining a cache status of each web page identified by each link; and  
7 (c) evaluating the cache status to control the display of the links of a web page on the  
8 screen of the mobile terminal.

1 2. The method as recited in claim 1, wherein:  
2 (a) a first one of the links identifies a web page substantially cached in the local memory;  
3 (b) a second one of the links identifies a web page not substantially cached in the local  
4 memory;  
5 (c) the first link is displayed to indicate the web page identified by the first link is  
6 substantially cached in the local memory; and  
7 (d) the second link is displayed to indicate the web page identified by the second link is  
8 not substantially cached in the local memory.

1 3. The method as recited in claim 1, wherein the step of evaluating the cache status  
2 comprises the step of omitting links in the displayed web page that identify web pages not  
3 substantially cached in the local memory.

1 4. The method as recited in claim 1, wherein the step of evaluating the cache status  
2 comprises the step of displaying the links in a manner that identifies web pages not  
3 substantially cached in the local memory.

1 5. The method as recited in claim 1, wherein the step of evaluating the cache status  
2 comprises the step of displaying the links in a manner that identifies web pages not

3 substantially cached in the local memory and an availability of a connection to download  
4 the web pages from the Internet.

1 6. The method as recited in claim 1, wherein:

2 (a) the step of receiving the plurality of web pages occurs during a synchronization  
3 session with a target computer; and

4 (b) the step of controlling the display of the links of a web page on the screen of the  
5 mobile terminal occurs during an off-line browsing session.

1 8. The method as recited in claim 1, wherein the step of controlling the display of the links of  
2 a web page on the screen of the mobile terminal occurs during an on-line browsing  
3 session.

4 9. The method as recited in claim 1, wherein the cache status of each web page indicates an  
5 extent that subordinate web pages are cached in the local memory.

6 10. The method as recited in claim 9, wherein the number of subordinate web pages is  
7 determined by traversing the web pages linked to the web page identified by a link.

8 11. The method as recited in claim 9, wherein the extent that subordinate web pages are  
9 cached in the local memory is determined relative to a link-depth configured for a  
10 synchronization session.

11 12. The method as recited in claim 1, wherein:

12 (a) web page content is associated with at least one of the links; and

13 (b) the step of controlling the display of the links of a web page on the screen of the  
14 mobile terminal further includes the step of controlling the display of the associated  
15 web page content.

1 13. The method as recited in claim 12, wherein the step of controlling the display of the  
2 associated web page content comprises the step of omitting the associated web page  
3 content.

1 14. A mobile terminal comprising:

2 (a) a local memory for storing a plurality of web pages received by the mobile terminal,  
3 wherein at least one of the web pages comprises a plurality of links and at least one of  
4 the links identifies a web page at least partially cached in the local memory;

5 (b) a screen; and

6 (c) a terminal controller for:  
7 determining a cache status of each web page identified by each link; and  
8 evaluating the cache status to control the display of the links of a web page on the  
9 screen of the mobile terminal.

1 15. The mobile terminal as recited in claim 14, wherein:

2 (a) a first one of the links identifies a web page substantially cached in the local memory;

3 (b) a second one of the links identifies a web page not substantially cached in the local  
4 memory;

5 (c) the terminal controller displays the first link to indicate the web page identified by the  
6 first link is substantially cached in the local memory; and

7 (d) the terminal controller displays the second link to indicate the web page identified by  
8 the second link is not substantially cached in the local memory.

1 16. The mobile terminal as recited in claim 14, wherein the terminal controller omits links in  
2 the displayed web page that identify web pages not substantially cached in the local  
3 memory.

1 17. The mobile terminal as recited in claim 14, wherein the terminal controller displays the  
2 links in a manner that identifies web pages not substantially cached in the local memory.

1 18. The mobile terminal as recited in claim 14, wherein the terminal controller displays the  
2 links in a manner that identifies web pages not substantially cached in the local memory  
3 and an availability of a connection to download the web pages from the Internet.

1 19. The mobile terminal as recited in claim 14, wherein:

2 (a) the plurality of web pages are received by the mobile terminal during a synchronization  
3 session with a target computer; and

4 (b) the terminal controller controls the display of the links of a web page on the screen of  
5 the mobile terminal during an off-line browsing session.

1 20. The mobile terminal as recited in claim 14, wherein the terminal controller controls the  
2 display of the links of a web page on the screen of the mobile terminal during an on-line  
3 browsing session.

1 21. The mobile terminal as recited in claim 14, wherein the cache status of each web page  
2 indicates an extent that subordinate web pages are cached in the local memory.

1 22. The mobile terminal as recited in claim 21, wherein the number of subordinate web pages  
2 is determined by traversing the web pages linked to the web page identified by a link.

1 23. The mobile terminal as recited in claim 21, wherein the extent that subordinate web pages  
2 are cached in the local memory is determined relative to a link-depth configured for a  
3 synchronization session.

1 24. The mobile terminal as recited in claim 14, wherein:

2 (a) web page content is associated with at least one of the links; and

3 (b) the terminal controller controls the display of the links of a web page on the screen of  
4 the mobile terminal by controlling the display of the associated web page content.

1 25. The mobile terminal as recited in claim 24, wherein the terminal controller omits the  
2 associated web page content.

1 26. A computer program embodied on a computer readable storage medium for use in a  
2 mobile terminal, the mobile terminal comprising a local memory and a screen, the  
3 computer program comprising code segments for:  
4 (a) receiving web pages and storing the web pages in the local memory, wherein at least  
5 one of the web pages comprises a plurality of links and at least one of the links  
6 identifies a web page at least partially cached in the local memory;  
7 (b) determining a cache status of each web page identified by each link; and  
8 (c) evaluating the cache status to control the display of the links of a web page on the  
9 screen of the mobile terminal.

1 27. The computer program as recited in claim 26, wherein:  
2 (a) a first one of the links identifies a web page substantially cached in the local memory;  
3 (b) a second one of the links identifies a web page not substantially cached in the local  
4 memory;  
5 (c) the first link is displayed to indicate the web page identified by the first link is  
6 substantially cached in the local memory; and  
7 (d) the second link is displayed to indicate the web page identified by the second link is  
8 not substantially cached in the local memory.

1 28. The computer program as recited in claim 26, wherein the code segment for evaluating the  
2 cache status omits links in the displayed web page that identify web pages not substantially  
3 cached in the local memory.

1 29. The computer program as recited in claim 26, wherein the code segment for evaluating the  
2 cache status displays the links in a manner that identifies web pages not substantially  
3 cached in the local memory.

1 30. The computer program as recited in claim 26, wherein the code segment for evaluating the  
2 cache status displays the links in a manner that identifies web pages not substantially

3       cached in the local memory and an availability of a connection to download the web pages  
4       from the Internet.

1       31. The computer program as recited in claim 26, wherein:

2           (a) the plurality of web pages are received during a synchronization session with a target  
3           computer; and  
4           (b) controlling the display of the links of a web page on the screen of the mobile terminal  
5           occurs during an off-line browsing session.

1       32. The computer program as recited in claim 26, wherein controlling the display of the links  
2       of a web page on the screen of the mobile terminal occurs during an on-line browsing  
3       session.

1       33. The computer program as recited in claim 26, wherein the cache status of each web page  
2       indicates an extent that subordinate web pages are cached in the local memory.

1       34. The computer program as recited in claim 33, wherein the number of subordinate web  
2       pages is determined by traversing the web pages linked to the web page identified by a  
3       link.

1       35. The computer program as recited in claim 33, wherein the extent that subordinate web  
2       pages are cached in the local memory is determined relative to a link-depth configured for  
3       a synchronization session.

1       36. The computer program as recited in claim 26, wherein:

2           (a) web page content is associated with at least one of the links; and  
3           (b) the code segment for controlling the display of the links of a web page on the screen of  
4           the mobile terminal further includes a code segment for controlling the display of the  
5           associated web page content.

1 37. The computer program as recited in claim 36, wherein the code segment for controlling  
2 the display of the associated web page content omits the associated web page content.